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REMARKS

Upon entry of this Response, claims 1, 5-8, 12-13, and 17 remain pending in the present Patent Application. Claims 1, 5-8, 12-13, and 17 have been amended, and claims 2-4, 9-11, and 14-16 have been canceled. Applicant requests reconsideration of the pending claims in view of the following remarks.

In item 4 of the Office Action, claims 1-17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102() as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication 2002/0073236 A1 filed by Helgeson et al. (hereafter "Helgeson"). Anticipation under §102 "requires the disclosure in a single prior art reference of each element of the claim under construction. W.L. Gore & Associates, Inc. v. Garlock, Inc., 220 USPQ 303, 313 (Fed. Cir. 1983). Applicant notes that claim 1 has been amended herein to incorporate the subject matter of claims 3 and 4 canceled herein. Similarly, claim 8 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 10 and 11, and claim 13 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 15 and 16. Thus, claims 2-4, 9-11, and 14-16 have been canceled herein, thereby rendering this grounds of rejection moot with respect to such claims. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of the remaining claims be withdrawn for the reasons that follow.

Claim 1 has been amended so as to incorporate the subject matter of canceled claims 3 and 4. In this respect, claim 1 recites as follows:

1. A method for transforming a work order file, comprising the steps of:
 - providing an extensible stylesheet language transform (XSLT) processor in a server;
 - determining a presentation platform on which the work order file is to be presented; and
 - generating an output file in the server to be applied to the presentation platform by processing the work order file with the XSLT processor, wherein the processing of the work order file with the XSLT processor comprises:
 - selecting an intermediate stylesheet associated with the presentation platform to apply to the XSLT processor in conjunction with the work order file;
 - processing the work order file and the intermediate stylesheet with the XSLT processor, thereby generating an intermediate file;
 - selecting a subsequent intermediate stylesheet associated with the presentation platform to apply to the XSLT processor in conjunction with the intermediate file; and

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processing the intermediate file and the subsequent intermediate stylesheet with the XSLT processor, thereby generating a subsequent intermediate file.

Given that claim 1 incorporates the subject matter of claims 3 and 4, where claim 4 originally depended from claim 3, Applicant notes that the Office Action states with respect to claim 4 as originally filed:

"In regard to dependent claim 4, "The method of claim 3, further comprising the steps of: selecting a subsequent intermediate stylesheet associated with the presentation platform to apply to the XSLT processor in conjunction with the intermediate file; and processing the intermediate file and the subsequent intermediate stylesheet with the XSLT processor, thereby generating a subsequent intermediate file", as taught by '236 at page 29, paragraph [0539] i.e....(c) XSL rendering – The created document is then rendered by applying an XSL stylesheet to it and formatting it to the specified resource type (HTML, PDF, XML, WML, XHTML, etc.)...)." (Office Action, pages 4-5).

Applicant respectfully disagrees. Specifically, for example, in paragraph [0539], Helgeson states:

"The platform 808 divides the development of web content into three separate levels: (a) XML creation – The XML file is created by the content owners. They do not require specific knowledge on how the XML content is further processed – they only need to know about the particular chosen "DTD" or tagset for their stage in the process. This layer can be performed by users directly, through normal editors or XML-aware tools/editors; (b) XML processing – The requested XML file is processed and the logic contained in its logic sheet is applied. Unlike other dynamic content generators, the logic is separated from the content file; and (c) XSL rendering – The created document is then rendered by applying an XSL stylesheet to it and formatting it to the specified resource type (HTML, PDF, XML, WML, XHTML, etc.)"

As state above, Helgeson describes the use of a single XSL rendering with an XSL stylesheet to transform a XML document into a file for a specified resource type. However, claim 1 as amended specifies that multiple intermediate stylesheets are obtained to perform multiple XSL processing of a work order file to generate an output file. In this respect, a library of XSL stylesheets is advantageously maintained that can be used for multiple different platforms to obtain output files that are compatible therewith. Specifically, the present invention facilitates transformation of content in multiple steps as set forth by claim 1 that sets forth

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multiple XSL transformations with multiple stylesheets. As a consequence, the system as claimed is adaptable to new platforms. This is because it is much easier to adapt the system to generate content to be rendered on new platforms since one may employ previous XSL stylesheets as well as add new ones to create the needed routings to affect the full transformation of various files as needed as described in the present specification.

Consequently, Applicant asserts that the cited reference of Helgeson fails to show or suggest each of the elements of claim 1. In addition, Applicant asserts that Helgeson fails to show each of the elements of claims 8 and 13 to the extent that they incorporate subject matter similar in scope with that of claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the rejection of claims 1, 8, and 13 be withdrawn.

Also, claims 5-7, 12, and 17 have been amended so as to depend from claims 1, 8, and 13, respectively. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the rejection of claims 5-7, 12, and 17 be withdrawn as depending from claims 1, 8, and 13, respectively.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that all outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application and all presently pending claims be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicant's response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicant's undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,



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